

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
APPROPRIATIONS**

Wednesday, June 27, 2007

9:00 a.m.

Room 352, State Capitol

The House Standing Committee on Appropriations was called to order by the Chairman, Representative George Cushingberry, Jr.

Members present: Representatives Cushingberry, Gillard, Bauer, Bennett, Byrnes, Cheeks, Espinoza, Gonzales, Hammel, Hood, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Sak, Alma Smith, Spade, Vagnozzi, Acciavatti, Caswell, Shaffer, Brandenburg, Booher, Caul, Hansen, Proos, Agema, Moss and Nofs.

Members absent/excused: Representative Amos.

Rep. Caswell moved that all absent members be excused. Representative Hansen supported the motion. Without objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

An Invocation was offered as a moment of silence for various wars and especially those in Iraq.

Chairman Cushingberry made opening remarks concerning the agenda and the bills, House Bill 4852 and House Bill 4726, to be addressed.

The Chairman recognized Mitch Bean, Director of the House Fiscal Agency to guide the members through the notebooks prepared by the House Fiscal Agency. The following House Fiscal Agency Staff gave explanations and answered questions of the committee: Kyle Jen, Jan Wisniewski, Mark Wolf and Bob Schneider .

The following individuals were recognized by the Chairman during the review of the notebook information for further explanation and response to member questions.

Matt Bolger, Michigan State Police  
Harriet Miller-Brown, State 911 Coordinator  
Mike Scieszka, Michigan Public Safety Communications Systems  
David Purchase, Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs

The committee stood at ease at the call of the Chair.

The committee was called back to order at 3:20 p.m.

The committee proceeded with review and discussion of the notebooks provided by the House Fiscal Agency.

The following testimony cards were received:

Greg White, Public Service Commission  
Raymond W. Beach, Jr. MCOLES  
Tom Evans, Michigan State Police  
Daniel Shaw, Chief of Police  
Phil Hoffman, Michigan Sheriffs Association  
Greg White, Michigan Public Service Commission  
Dan McCaw, Oakland County Chiefs  
Patricia Coates  
Thomas Hendrickson, Michigan Association Chiefs of Police  
Mike McCabe, UnderSheriff  
Michael Bouchard, Oakland County Sheriff  
Warren Evans, Wayne County Sheriff  
Mark Hackel, Macomb Co Sheriff

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, Chairman Cushingberry adjourned the meeting, the time being 4:50 p.m.

**Representative George Cushingberry, Jr. Chair**\_\_\_\_\_

Darlene Moore, Committee Clerk, (517) 373-2994